## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## NORTHERN SOUTHEAST OUTSIDE SECTION DIRECTED LINGCOD FISHERY CLOSURE ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the directed fishery for lingcod will close in the entire Northern Southeast Outside (NSEO) Section at 12:00 noon, Friday, June 8, 2012. The total annual directed fishery quota for the NSEO Section is 17,200 round pounds. A total of 19,700 round pounds have been landed in this fishery.

The directed lingcod fishery remains open in the Central Southeast Outside (CSEO) Section and Southern Southeast Outer Coast (SSEOC) Sector. Lingcod catch will be closely monitored and fishermen should expect additional area closures on short notice. Closure notices will be announced by news release and on the United States Coast Guard "Notice to Mariners" report and the National Weather Service marine broadcast.

Updates of area closures for all lingcod fisheries will be available on the Groundfish Hotline at 907-747-4882. For additional information on the directed lingcod fishery, refer to the news release issued on April 23, 2012.

The emergency order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1G1012.

News releases web site: <a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main</a>.

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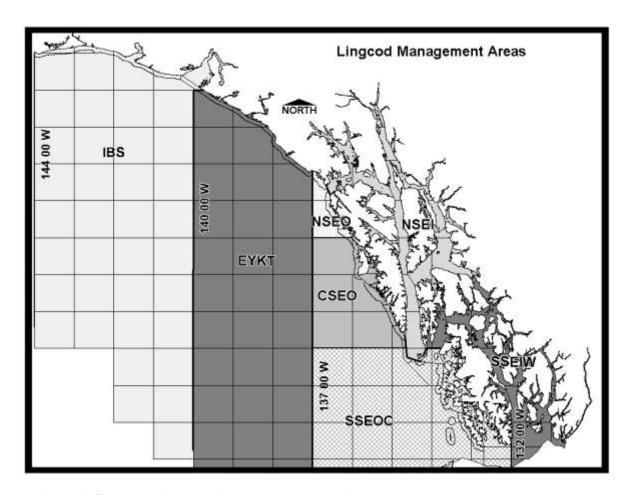


Figure 1. Southeast Alaska Lingcod Management Areas.

This map is for general reference only. For detailed descriptions of Lingcod Management Area boundaries, refer to  $5AAC\ 28.105$